

Sense and Nonsense.

To select well among old things is almost equal to inventing new ones.

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He—"It's lots of fun to make fun of society, isn't it?" She—"Yes; but it's heaps more fun to be in society and be made fun of."

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Fears of hypocrites and fools is the great plague of thinking and writing.

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Rose—"Does Mr. Verydull know anything?" Lillian—"Know anything! He doesn't even suspect anything."

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All truths are not to be uttered; still it is always good to hear them.

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"Is Dr. Sixthly an influential man?" "Very. He prayed for rain last Sunday and the congregation was drenched."

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Marriage is a lottery in which men stake their liberty and women their happiness.

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Hunker—"Hello, Ricketts, when is your marriage to Miss Munn coming off?" Ricketts—"It has been indefinitely postponed." Hunker—"What's the trouble?" Ricketts—"Oh, she married another fellow."

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He who is never guilty of follies is not as wise as he imagines.

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The hideous doubt; She—"You have been calling on Miss Plankington quite often of late, haven't you? Has she always been at home?" He—"That's just what I have been wondering."

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The future of society is in the hands of the mothers. If the world was lost through woman, she alone can save it.

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"What did Neighbor say when you told him you wanted to marry his daughter?" "He didn't absolutely refuse, but he imposed a very serious condition." "What was it?" "He said he would see me hanged first."

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The best government is not that which renders men the happiest, but that which renders the greatest number happy.

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"It's a pity to let all those old settlers drown," said Mrs. Noah, as the ark floated. "They won't if they're truthful," said Noah, with a chuckle; "one of 'em was telling me yesterday that this storm isn't a marker to one he remembered back in 476099."

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The fool maintains an error with the assurance of a man who can never be mistaken; the sensible man defends a truth with the circumspection of a man who may be mistaken.

Patient:—Do you think a sudden fright would bring on a relapse?

Doctor:—Most certainly!

Patient:—Then please bear that in mind when making out your bill.

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When we imagine that we love, it is the presence of the loved one that deceives us; when we truly love, it is absence that proves it.

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Nurse (to young husband):—A beautiful roll, baby, sir!

Young Husband (getting things mixed in his excitement):—Glorious! Am I a father or a mother?

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Paradise is open to all kind hearts. God welcomes whoever has dried tears, either under the crown of the martyrs, or under wreaths of flowers.

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"A fast horse, is he?" "Trots like a streak of greased lightning." "Well, that's fast enough. What do you call him?" "What Ma Says." "What Ma Says! That's a strange name. Why do you call him that?" "Because what ma says goes!"

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"I wish you to witness," sobbed the horse-thief, under the limb, "that I die with resignation." "You hear what he says, boys," replied the leader of the vigilantes; "all in favor of accepting his resignation, will please signify the same by pulling on the rope."

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An actress died in New York, and her friends called an undertaker to make arrangements for the funeral. The undertaker wanted to know how they wanted the coffin trimmed, whereupon the friends of the dead woman said they would accept his suggestions. "Well," said the undertaker, "if the deceased was a single woman I should trim the coffin in white; if a married woman, in heliotrope." The friends said they would think the matter over, and send him word as to their decision. In the afternoon the undertaker received this note: "Trim the coffin in white, with a dash here and there of heliotrope."

"Mr. Newcome," inquired the city-editor, "did you write this article, in which the statement is made that 'K. K. Perkinson suicided yesterday afternoon'?" "Yes, sir," answered the new man on the local staff. "H'm!" rejoined the city-editor, blandly; "Mr. Newcome, you will please consider yourself resigned."

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Husband—"I am not ready to go out walking yet." Wife—"But I am, and we must go immediately." Husband—"But, my dear, your hat is not on straight." Wife—"Dear me! Isn't it? Wait a minute till I go to my room and fix it." (Exit wife for half an hour, and her shrewd husband completes his work.)

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